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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT ON CONSULTATIONS WHICH, SUBJECT TO ROKG AND GOJ APPROVAL, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AT NOON STATE DEPARTMENT PRESS BRIEFING MAY 10: QUOTE: PRESIDENT CARTER HAS REQUESTED THAT CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF GENERAL GEORGE BROWN AND UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE PHILIP HABIB VISIT SEOUL, KOREA ON MAY 24 TO BEGIN CONSULTATIONS WITH PRESIDENT PARK AND OTHER SENIOR KOREAN OFFICIALS WITH REGARD TO THE FUTURE WITHDRAWAL OF U.S. GROUND FORCES FROM KOREA. AFTER SECRET

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THEIR CONSULTATIONS IN SEOUL, GENERAL BROWN AND UNDER SECRETARY HABIB WILL GO TO TOKYO FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR JAPANESE OFFICIALS. END QUOTE.

2. FOR SEOUL AND TOKYO: PLEASE COORDINATE ABOVE ANNOUNCEMENT WITH YOUR HOST GOVERNMENT- WE WOULD HOPE TO HAVE THEIR CLEARANCE BY OPENING OF BUSINESS HERE MAY 9.

3. FOR LONDON FOR SECRETARY: UNLESS YOU HAVE OTHER VIEWS
WE WOULD INTEND TO GO AHEAD WITH ABOVE OR BASICALLY SIMILAR
STATEMENT AT DEPARTMENT NOON BRIEFING MAY 10. WE ALSO WILL
ALERT KEY CONGRESSIONAL FIGURES BEFORE ANNOUNCEMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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